GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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REPAIR OF WATER BODIES
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme for the revival/repair of the water bodies including lakes in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the funds provided therefor in the Eleventh Five Year Plan;

(d) whether the Government proposes to implement this scheme in the entire country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) & (b) A pilot scheme for repair, renovation & restoration of water bodies directly linked to agriculture was implemented during the X Plan. The project proposals for Rs.299.92 crore in respect of 1098 water bodies in 26 districts of 15 States were sanctioned under this scheme. A scheme under National Lake Conservation Plan (NLCP) was also launched in June, 2001 with the objective of restoring and conserving the polluted and degraded lakes in urban and semi-urban areas of the country. Projects for conservation of 56 lakes at a total estimated cost Rs.772.01 crore have been sanctioned under this scheme.

(c) to (e) An outlay of Rs.2750 crore has been provided in the XI Plan for implementation of the Scheme of Repair, Renovation & Restoration of Water Bodies in the entire country. An outlay of Rs.440 crore has been provided in the XI Plan for NLCP.